If the information is accessible and ready to hand, it is the duty of every Government department to furnish that information. But surely, the honourable Member will be the first to perceive that no Government servant and no Secretary is entitled to invent information for the purpose of satisfying the honourable Members opposite. If he has got the information, he will readily give it. If he has not, he will necessarily require some time. The obvious remedy in such cases will be this. In this House, very curiously, that method is not resorted to. Just after leaving this Chamber, every honourable Member has the right to approach the Chief Secretary or the Secretary and inform him of the proposed question, or write to him direct that such and such a question will be asked with in two or three days. If the information supplied by him is found satisfactory, then the matter rests there. If the information is inadequate then a short notice question can be put and answer elicited from the Government benches. That is the practice adopted in other Legislatures. But you cannot surely make the Government officers evolve answers which are not relevant and up to date.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Now, may I know whether the Ezhava found in the answer is now in the Secretariat?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Yes Sir.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether Government consider that Ezhavas should be given their proper share in Secretariat?

PRESIDENT: That is a matter on which Governmental policy have already been enunciated.

Armed Reserve Police, newly recruited in 1114.

28. ✱**MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement containing particulars on the following points in regard to the Armed Reserve Police, newly recruited in 1114 :—

(*a*) the number of Travancoreans recruited;

(*b*) the number of non-Travancoreans in that force;

(*c*) whether there is any difference in pay in the case of these two sets of recruitments;

(*d*) if so, the pay of the Travancorean and that of the foreign recruit;

KHAN BHAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY (*Inspector General of Police*): (*a*) 422

(*b*) 1

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise.

Constables appointed by the Inspector General of Police.

29. ✱**MR. K. R. NARAYANAN** (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): In regard to the appointments made by the present Inspector-General of Police, since his assumption of charge of the Department, will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste:

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[Mr. K. R. Narayanan.]

(*a*) of the total number of constables appointed, showing also their respective grades (including the Armed Police and the Reserve Police); and

(*b*) of the total number of Head Constables appointed showing also their respective grades (including the Armed Police and the Reserve Police)?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: (*a*) and (*b*) A statement is laid on the table.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN : ക എ ക നായന്മാരേയും ന ഉ മഹമ്മദീയരേയും എടുത്തകൂട്ടത്തിൽ ക ര ഈഴവരെമാത്രം എടുത്തതെന്താണെന്ന് പറയുമോ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: As I said yesterday, the candidates were all grouped communally and then tested. Those who came out of the test successfully were declared as suitable candidates for appointment in the constabulary.

MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN : ഹെഡ്കാൺസ്റ്റബിൾമാരും ഒന്നും രണ്ടും ക്ലാസിലുള്ള കാൺസ്റ്റബിൾമാരും ഉൾപ്പടെ ഒ ഫ നിയമനങ്ങൾ നടത്തിയിട്ടുള്ളതായി കാണുന്നു. ഓട്ടത്തിനും ചാട്ടത്തിനും സാമർത്ഥ്യമുള്ള ആരും തന്നെ ഇല്ലാത്തതുകൊണ്ടാണോ സിറിയൻ കത്തോലിക്ക് സമുദായത്തിൽ നിന്നും ആരേയും ഇതിലേക്ക് നിയമിക്കാതിരുന്നിട്ടുള്ളത്?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: The selection was done in a particular manner. I interviewed the applicants and selected them in communal groups and subjected them to the test. That test was the deciding factor.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDHANAN NAIR (*Karunagapally cum Kartikapally*): May I know the details of that test?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: The essential test was about the physical condition of the candidate. In my office there is a low ground. Candidates were allowed to run there, then climb up the mount from there to climb on trees and walls then repeat the process in the reverse order. Those who executed that work promptly and with expedition were recognised for appointment in the constabulary.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU : ഓട്ടംമാത്രമാണോ ഒരു പോലീസ് കാരനു ആവശ്യമുള്ളത്?

PRESIDENT: There are two ways of running, running to the enemy and from the enemy. (*Laughter*).

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN : സ്പെസിഫൈഡ് മെത്തഡ് എന്നു പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നതിൽ ഓട്ടം മാത്രമേയുള്ളോ എന്നറിഞ്ഞാൽ കൊള്ളാം.

* *Vide* Appendix III page 140.

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KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: The mettle of the men was tested. They were actually running an obstacle and cross country race, as it were. There was also long and short distance jumping exercises.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: ഒന്നുകൂടി ഉത്തരം പറഞ്ഞാൽ കൊള്ളാം.

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: That was not the only test. The ability of a man was tried in regard to swimming also.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether the ability to climb on trees is necessary for being recruited as a constable?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: Absolutely.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: ഇങ്ങനെ ഓട്ടിച്ചതിനുശേഷം എത്രപേരെയാണ് നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളത് ?

MR. G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY. I am not in a position to tell the House all about that. I request the Member to write to me when I will reply to it.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*) ഈ പട്ടികയിൽ പി ന്നോക്കസമുദായത്തിൽപെട്ട ആരേയും നിയമിച്ചുകാണുന്നില്ല. ഓട്ട ത്തിനും ചാട്ടത്തിനും സാമർത്ഥ്യമുള്ളവർ ആരുംതന്നെ അവരുടെയിട യിൽ ഇല്ലാത്തതുകൊണ്ടാണോ അവരെ നിയമിക്കാതിരുന്നിട്ടുള്ളത് ?

PRESIDENT: In view of the great interest aroused in this matter, I would advise the Inspector General to make out a statement of those who applied for the Armed Reserve police ranged according to communities, those who satisfied the competitive tests and those that did not, and, place it on the Table of the House in the next two or three days.

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: Yes, Sir.

Smuggling in the northern frontier.

30. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a large staff was appointed during 1113, to prevent smuggling in the northern frontier;

(*b*) if so, whether there was any increase in customs duty in these parts for the year 1113 and the first half of 1114; and

(*c*) if the receipts have increased, the increase as compared to former years and if the receipts have decreased, the amount of decrease?

MR. M. P. JOSEPH (*Excise Commissioner*): (*a*) Yes;

(*b*) Yes;

(*c*) The figures relating to the Customs revenue of the northern frontier division for 1112 and 1113, and the first half of 1114 are shown below:

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Appendix III.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 29.**

Statement of Head Constables and Constables appointed by the Inspector- General of Police.

Caste.	Head Constables. (30)			Constables (424)			
	I.	II.	III.	Naiks.	Lance Naiks.	2nd Class.	4th Class.
I. *Hindus.*							
Brahmins ...	...	...	...	..	...	...	2
Nairs ...	1	3	11	6	3	...	171
Kammalas ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Nadar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ezhavas ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Other Hindus ...	...	..	8	7	...	50	47
II. *Christians*							
Jacobite ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Syrian Catholic ...	...	...	...	...	...	....	10
Latin Catholics..	...	..	4	1	2	4	15
Marthomite ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
S. I. U. C. ...		...	...	...	...	1	12
Other Christians ...	...	...	2	...	...	3	28
III. *Muslims* ...	...	...	1	1	...	3	35
Total ...	1	3	26	15	5	61	343

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Cherlala*): Sir, on a point of information. The rule is that Cut motions in respect of Demands should be placed in the office of the Secretary before two clear days before the discussions. Cut motions in regard to the Land Revenue Budget was placed in the office of the Secretary on Sunday, two clear days before wednesday when the discussion on that Demand comes up. But such cut motions are not included in the list I wish to know whether such non inclusion is in order.

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